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In re the application of:

Kazuo HORIKAWA

ATTENTION: BOX MISSING PARTS

Serial Number: 09/990,270

Filed: November 23, 2001

For: LOCK LEVER DEVICE FOR WORKING
IMPLEMENT DRIVE CONTROL SYSTEM
OF CONSTRUCTION MACHINE VEHICLE

RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION -
FILING DATE GRANTED

Honorable Commissioner
of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

December 28, 2001

Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application - Filing Date Granted, mailed December 3, 2001, applicant is submitting herewith the original signed Declaration for the above-identified application, together with a copy of the above-mentioned Notice.

The Notice set forth a response due date of two months from the date of the Notice. Accordingly, this response is due on or before February 3, 2002.

A check for the late filing of the Declaration in the amount of ONE HUNDRED THIRTY DOLLARS (\$130.00) is attached hereto.

In the event this paper is not timely filed, applicants hereby petition for an appropriate extension of time. The fee therefor, as well as any other fees which become due, may be charged to our Deposit Account No. 22-0256.

Respectfully submitted,
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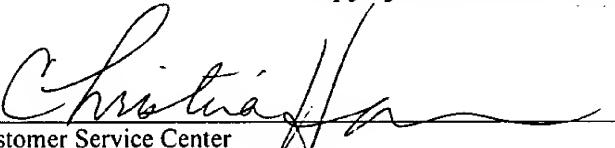
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Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(l) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- **The balance due by applicant is \$ 130.**

A copy of this notice MUST be returned with the reply.


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